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PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No. 16497.138.1.1.2.1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
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 Michael Zung, et al.)
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Serial No.: 10/660,288) Art Unit
) 3734
Filed: September 11, 2003)
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Confirmation No.: 5342)
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For: ARTICULATING SUTURING DEVICE AND METHOD)
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Examiner: Michael G. Mendoza)
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Customer No.: 57360)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

VIA eFILE - AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated August 3, 2009, be extended for two (2) months until January 3, 2010.

Payment in the amount of \$490.00 using the Credit Card payment option in E-Filer with RAM will be used to cover the payment of the fees with respect to this Petition for Extension of Time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Dated this 4th day of January, 2010.

Respectfully submitted,

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